IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Docket No.: 43889-964

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For: BUS STRUCTURE, DATA BASE AND METHOD OF DESIGNING INTERFACE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 11, line 23, please change "Figures 9(a) and 9(b) are diagrams" to --Figure 9 is a diagram--.

Page 15, line 8, please change "data" to --direction--.

Page 16, line 22, please change "3(d)" to --3(c)--.

Page 24, line 2, please change "9(a)" to --9--.

Page 24 Jine 5, please delete "as is shown in Figure 9(b)".

Page 28, line 20, please change "3(a)" to --10(a)--.

Page 28, line 20; please change "3(c)" to --10(c)--.

Page 32, line 15, please change "11(b)" to --11(c)--.

Page 33, line 21, please change "dotted-and-dashed" to --solid--.